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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2002. Applicants have the following comments.

AMENDMENT

Kindly amend the following claim to read as follows:

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1. (5 times amended) A composition able to treat acute pancreatitis in a mammal comprising,
- a first element comprising a binding element selected from the group consisting of a) a first peptide containing an amino acid sequence region SEQ ID NO. 2 or a contiguous fragment thereof containing at least the 8 C-terminal residues of such region, wherein the C-terminal phenylalanine is amidated and/or the aspartic acid residue 7 amino acids from the C-terminus thereof is sulfated, and b) said first peptide wherein said phenylalanine and aspartic acid residue have not been modified, and wherein said binding element is able to specifically bind a CCK-A or CCK-B receptor under physiological conditions,
 - a second element comprising a translocation element derived from a Clostridial neurotoxin able to facilitate the transfer of a polypeptide across a vesicular membrane in a pancreatic cell, and
 - a third element, linked to and comprised in a separate polypeptide chain from said first and second elements, comprising a therapeutic element derived from a Clostridial neurotoxin able,

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